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Food and Drug Administration

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Re:Docket No.98N-1038

Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and  
Handling of Food

To whom it may concern:

I support the recommendation by the Center for Science in the Public  
Interesting regarding labeling of irradiated foods;

"any food, or any foods containing ingredients that have been treated by  
irradiation, should be labeled with a written statement on the principal display panel  
indicating such treatment. The statement should be easy to read and placed in close  
proximity to the name of the food and accompanied by the international symbol. If  
the food is unpackaged, this information should be clearly displayed on a poster in  
plain view and adjacent to where the product is displayed for sale."

I believe that the terms "treated with radiation" or "treated by irradiation"  
should be retained.

Any phrase involving the word "pasteurization" is misleading. And the radura,  
international symbol of irradiated foods should be retained. These requirement for  
irradiation disclosure (both label and radura)should not expire at any time in the  
future.

If there is no label, consumers will be misled into believing the food has not been  
irradiated. I urge that the FDA requires irradiation labels to be truthful and not  
misleading.

Sincerely,

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P.S.

No one can guarantee irradiated foods  
is good for our health. Our health is  
kept by good food, good environment,  
and gratitude<sup>for our life</sup>. We can not choose good  
food without the radura.

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